

House Resolution No. 1756

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Elam, treasured residents of Lebanon, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on December 11, 2004, with a festive celebration at the North Street Baptist Church; and

Whereas, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord on December 11, 1954, Cleo Elam and Dorothy Bohannon began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony at the home of their aunt; and

Whereas, since that happy day, Cleo and Dorothy Elam have witnessed with pleasure the growth of their mutual trust and understanding, qualities which continue to endear them to one another with each passing year; and

Whereas, a proud father and caring husband whose hobbies include hunting and fishing, Mr. Elam provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as a stellar employee of the City of Lebanon for seventeen years and Campbell 66 Express for twenty-three years, while Mrs. Elam enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a nurses aide at a local nursing home for eleven years and as a master embroiderer; and

Whereas, Cleo and Dorothy Elam attribute their fifty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their three children, Diane Slavens, Dennis Elam, and Deanna Scrivener; and their four grandchildren; and

Whereas, throughout their blissful union, Cleo and Dorothy Elam have remained devoted life partners and have put forth a tremendous amount of effort to ensure the sanctity of the vows they took so very long ago:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in a thunderous round of applause for Cleo and Dorothy Elam upon the glorious celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them much peace and contentment as they proudly continue their journey along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Elam.

Offered by _____
Representative Darrell Pollock
District No. 146

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1756, adopted April 4, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker